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PHOENIX RESIDENT SENTENCED FOR EXPLOSIVES VIOLATIONS

PHOENIX –Paul K. Charlton, U.S. Attorney for the District of Arizona, and Lester D. Martz, Special Agent in Charge for the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, announced that on February 14, 2005, Harry James D'Agosta, age 51, of Phoenix, Arizona, was sentenced to 46 months in prison for Felon in Possession of Explosive Materials and Possession of an Unregistered Destructive Device, by United States District Judge Neal V. Wake, in Phoenix.

D'Agosta plead guilty to the felony offenses on October 15, 2004. In the course of his guilty pleas, D'Agosta admitted he possessed an unregistered bomb and explosive materials on June 5, 2003. D'Agosta further admitted that he was on parole for two prior felony convictions in the Superior Court of Arizona, Maricopa County, for Misconduct Involving Weapons at the time of the offenses. As part of his guilty pleas, D'Agosta also agreed to abandon to ATF additional explosive materials and items used to manufacture explosive materials seized from his Phoenix residence on June 5, 2003.

The investigation in this case was conducted by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives and Phoenix Police Department.

The prosecution was handled by Frederick A. Battista, Assistant U.S. Attorney, District of Arizona.

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